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TORONTO PUBLIC LIBRARY

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD FOR THE YEAR 1907.

It is the duty of the Chairman at the Annual Meeting to review the progress and work of the Library during the past year, and I gladly welcome the opportunity for taking stock of our present condition and prospects in the near future.

Pending the changes which will be necessary when the new buildings are completed, little has been done in the way of relieving the congested condition of books in the Circulating and Reference Libraries. The assistants have been working under great disadvantages, and are striving to meet the wants of the reading public in the face of many difficulties.

The issue of books for the past year, which was 358,736, shows little change from that of 1906, the total increase being 1,600, divided between the Central Library and the Yorkville and College Street Branches; the other Branches showing a slight loss. There has, however, been a very considerable increase in the demand for books in the Reference Library. The problem of promoting a larger demand for books for home reading seems to be bound up with the question of branch libraries in districts to which the city population appear to be moving. It is a sign of the times worthy of note, that while the circulation of books has been practically at a standstill, the amount paid for fines for overdue books has reached the sum of \$1,400.07.

The first of our new Branch Libraries, situated on Yorkville Avenue, was opened for public use on June 14th. Many ladies

and gentlemen were invited to the opening ceremonies, which were held on the evening of June 13th. The Chairman of the Building Committee, who acted, in my absence, as Chairman of the meeting; His Worship the Mayor; Mr. B. E. Walker, and other gentlemen addressed those present, and were eulogistic of the architecture of the building and of its fittings, and of its appropriateness for the purpose for which it had been designed.

The Northern Branch Library, which occupied rooms in St. Paul's Hall, was closed on June 1st, and its contents transferred to the new building.

During the past month, instructions have been given to the architect to prepare plans for a similar building to be erected on the corner of Queen and Lisgar Streets, where the City Council have purchased for this purpose a lot 100 feet x 130. It is hoped that it will be possible to close the Dundas Street Branch about the month of September, and open the new library in October of this year.

The rapid growth in population and the extension in all directions of the city, will render it necessary for the Board to consider the advisability of increasing the number of branch libraries. The existing arrangements were made at a time when the population of Toronto was 105,211, which has now increased to at least 275,000. To-day, some portions of the new districts are nearly two miles from the nearest branch. We shall have, at the end of the present year:

3 Branches properly housed.

1 to be provided for.

2 are in temporary premises.

In addition to these we shall require three in new districts, so that in all, five buildings will have to be erected.

The architects and contractors for the Reference Library have been untiring in their efforts to roof in the building before the advent of winter, and owing to the favorable season have succeeded in their endeavor. At the present time the contractors for steamfitting, wiring, and for erecting the stacks are fully engaged,

and it is intended that the plasterers will be enabled to commence their operations early in the spring. If these anticipations are realized, it is not improbable that a considerable portion of the Library can be removed during the present year, and perhaps, a formal opening made before our next annual meeting.

The accounts of the Library have been audited by the proper officers, and the usual statements of receipts and expenditures and of assets and liabilities are appended.

The Chief Librarian, the Secretary-Treasurer and the Assistants have during the past year faithfully and efficiently performed the duties of their respective offices.

I have to thank the members of the Board and the two chief officers for the courteous assistance which they have rendered to me during the year.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE,

Chairman.

Classified Circulation of Books Issued from the Central Library

FROM JANUARY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1907.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total	Per Cl.
Natural Sciences and Mathematics.....	393	328	383	346	333	254	240	281	267	321	361	324	3,834	1.2
Political, Social and Medical Sciences....	532	476	501	441	416	322	324	369	352	464	516	462	5,228	1.7
Theology.....	326	298	328	346	296	217	232	252	246	265	305	268	3,409	1.1
Arts.....	1,092	1,161	1,226	1,169	1,018	909	792	731	848	1,156	1,096	1,092	12,290	4.
General Literature and Collected Works....	796	773	917	820	691	577	522	518	653	999	947	829	9,072	3.3
Geography, Travel and Topography.....	579	607	687	623	465	416	390	471	481	582	552	541	6,394	2.1
History.....	714	892	863	791	671	526	479	554	529	711	739	618	8,027	2.6
Biography.....	710	655	707	659	531	502	398	558	482	598	661	584	7,015	2.3
Poetry and the Drama	257	216	261	228	210	185	135	159	170	206	263	248	2,538	.8
Periodicals.....	635	630	651	611	492	414	369	436	435	493	498	498	6,162	2.
Fiction.....	9,492	8,428	9,526	9,797	8,900	8,712	8,086	7,915	8,070	9,376	9,786	8,872	106,960	34.9
Juvenile.....	1,842	1,892	1,814	1,846	1,512	1,175	1,208	1,225	1,135	1,392	1,526	1,393	17,990	5.9
German.....	65	69	77	70	62	55	33	53	45	60	67	105	762	.2
French.....	105	107	103	99	96	99	85	74	69	72	89	99	1,100	.3
Italian.....	15	10	6	6	7	3	1	4	4	8	3	2	69	....
Spanish.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	2	6	....
Books for the Blind.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	....
Current Magazines.....	981	832	1,008	899	992	765	651	627	685	828	750	762	9,690	3.2
Total Number of Books Issued for Home Reading.....	18,585	17,281	19,092	18,755	16,632	15,161	13,945	14,233	14,471	17,534	18,159	16,699	200,550	65.6
Magazines Issued in Reading Room.....	6,489	5,628	5,249	5,216	4,764	3,588	4,124	4,100	4,275	6,293	6,514	6,014	62,284	20.3
Reference Room.....	4,869	4,542	4,409	3,746	2,908	2,463	2,046	2,511	2,655	3,763	5,100	4,211	43,223	14.1
Total.....	29,943	27,451	28,750	27,717	24,304	21,212	20,115	20,844	21,401	27,590	29,773	26,954	306,057	100.
Amount of Fines Collected.....	\$91.78	\$87.00	\$93.86	\$100.98	\$110.27	\$54.19	\$84.13	\$81.30	\$75.35	\$85.45	\$96.43	\$100.52	\$1061.26	....
No. of Ordinary Tickets Issued.....	301	279	238	236	189	121	182	190	235	341	327	255	2,894	....
No. of Non-Fiction Tickets issued.....	87	84	71	75	55	32	43	55	48	89	83	66	788	....
Total No. of Ordinary Tickets issued.....	42,464	42,743	42,981	43,217	43,406	43,527	43,709	43,899	44,134	44,475	44,802	45,037	45,037	....
Total No. of Non-Fiction Tickets issued.....	1,501	1,588	1,659	1,734	1,789	1,821	1,864	1,919	1,967	2,056	2,139	2,205	2,205	....

Classified Circulation of Books Issued from the Western Branch Library

FROM JANUARY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1907.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total	Per Ct.
Natural Sciences and Mathematics.....	48	42	46	40	39	31	24	18	18	27	37	40	410	1.
Political, Social and Medical Sciences....	41	38	31	26	27	20	32	24	7	24	25	33	328	.8
Theology.....	14	20	21	19	19	23	20	19	12	16	26	23	232	.5
Arts.....	88	81	80	96	76	50	40	40	32	63	84	88	818	2.1
General Literature and Collected Works....	68	80	84	86	72	52	49	45	31	58	85	88	798	2.
Geography, Travel and Topography.....	65	76	61	74	63	48	40	42	32	40	53	71	665	1.7
History.....	56	72	80	87	67	58	35	26	35	50	62	82	710	1.8
Biography.....	55	89	84	79	54	34	33	27	31	44	54	70	654	1.6
Poetry and the Drama	18	37	28	20	19	18	13	12	10	12	23	30	240	.6
Periodicals.....	600	651	694	666	584	510	472	406	364	504	583	637	6,671	16.6
Fiction.....	1,410	1,399	1,454	1,612	1,480	1,308	1,293	1,055	1,136	1,340	1,564	1,428	16,479	41.
Juvenile.....	651	598	659	651	562	494	457	464	408	565	577	652	6,738	16.7
German.....	3	2	.....	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....
French.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
Italian.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spanish.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Books for the Blind.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Current Magazines.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total No. of Books issued for home reading.....	3,117	3,185	3,322	3,438	3,063	2,647	2,508	2,178	2,116	2,743	3,173	3,245	34,755	86.4
Magazines Issued in Reading Room.....	567	440	494	453	374	350	328	257	260	435	558	648	5,164	12.8
Reference Books.....	15	22	34	30	21	20	8	35	23	32	33	30	303	.8
Total.....	3,699	3,647	3,850	3,941	3,458	3,017	2,844	2,470	2,399	3,210	3,764	3,923	40,222	100.
Amount of Fines Collected.....	\$4.68	\$3.03	\$4.14	\$5.97	\$5.25	\$5.85	\$3.69	\$4.53	\$3.42	\$4.14	\$4.50	\$3.93	\$3.13	.....
No. of Tickets Issued	19	28	25	18	10	15	14	14	9	29	27	20	228	.....
Total No. of Tickets Issued.....	5,326	5,354	5,379	5,397	5,407	5,422	5,436	5,450	5,459	5,488	5,515	5,535	5,535	.....

Classified Circulation of Books Issued from the Yorkville Avenue Branch Library

FROM JANUARY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1907.

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	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total	Per Ct.
Natural Sciences and Mathematics.....	23	24	30	17	26	17	10	24	22	42	49	36	320	.8
Political, Social and Medical Sciences....	18	25	27	22	20	10	20	13	23	16	35	32	261	.7
Theology.....	31	27	27	18	19	7	5	17	19	24	33	41	268	.7
Arts.....	36	33	24	20	34	13	19	30	38	48	42	38	375	1.
General Literature and Collected Works....	35	32	33	24	24	18	51	30	51	70	88	68	524	1.4
Geography, Travel and Topography.....	48	44	42	28	32	21	29	38	43	59	72	58	514	1.4
History.....	32	30	38	35	40	21	40	44	36	52	58	73	531	1.4
Biography.....	47	43	45	38	38	42	42	52	59	59	86	96	647	1.7
Poetry and the Drama	51	40	43	32	35	19	14	29	28	40	61	54	446	1.2
Periodicals.....	591	527	523	427	443	175	373	451	470	577	604	624	5,785	15.2
Fiction.....	1,128	1,058	1,107	1,116	916	620	1,108	1,268	1,290	1,757	1,742	1,674	14,784	38.9
Juvenile.....	835	756	819	780	626	332	668	781	791	983	1,131	1,045	9,547	15.1
German.....														
French.....		3	3	7	7						1	9	30	
Italian.....					2								2	
Spanish.....														
Books for the Blind.....														
Current Magazines.....								1					1	
Total No. of Books Issued for Home Reading.....							20	72	76	77	80	91	416	1.1
Magazines Issued in Reading Room.....	2,875	2,642	2,761	2,564	2,262	1,295	2,399	2,850	2,946	3,804	4,102	3,951	34,451	80.6
Reference Books.....	498	426	506	472	501								2,403	6.3
Total.....	266	209	275	186	238								1,174	3.1
Total.....	3,639	3,277	3,542	3,222	3,001	1,295	2,399	2,850	2,946	3,804	4,102	3,951	38,028	100.
Amount of Fines Collected.....	\$4.26	\$3.30	\$2.52	\$2.34	\$2.91	\$1.23	\$3.48	\$2.34	\$3.81	\$2.93	\$4.89	\$7.91	\$41.92	
No. of Tickets Issued.....						505	136	109	125	153	151	74	1,256	
Total No. of Tickets Issued.....						505	641	750	875	1,028	1,182	1,256	1,256	

Classified Circulation of Books Issued from the Eastern Branch Library

FROM JANUARY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1907.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total	Per Ct.
Natural Sciences and Mathematics.....	8	7	4	6	2	2	11	10	2	5	5	7	69	.3
Political, Social and Medical Sciences....	1	4	7	6	9	3	..	8	1	4	3	2	48	.2
Theology.....	3	4	5	9	1	6	9	5	2	5	5	4	58	.3
Arts.....	10	13	11	9	17	16	9	17	12	23	15	18	170	.8
General Literature and Collected Works....	2	3	9	8	5	5	4	9		2	7	2	56	.3
Geography, Travel and Topography.....	14	17	8	12	6	7	4	2	8	13	8	13	112	.5
History.....	13	16	14	13	19	10	15	1	13	34	38	10	196	.9
Biography.....	6	6	6	5	4	8	8	6	1	4	5	9	68	.3
Poetry and the Drama	14	14	11	9	7	8	3	5	5	5	4	4	89	.4
Periodicals.....	218	204	234	231	198	153	162	175	137	179	164	188	2,243	10.2
Fiction.....	837	790	857	859	731	718	678	662	617	795	908	892	9,344	42.3
Juvenils.....	595	594	655	590	527	454	393	440	432	532	597	570	6,379	29.
German.....														....
French.....														....
Italian.....														....
Spanish.....														....
Books for the Blind.....														....
Current Magazines.....														....
Total Number of Books														....
Issued for Home Reading.....	1,721	1,672	1,821	1,757	1,526	1,390	1,296	1,340	1,230	1,601	1,759	1,719	18,832	85.5
Magazines Issued in Reading Room.....	390	318	341	283	171	119	103	101	177	220	490	348	3,061	13.9
Reference Books.....	26	22	25	17	9	.....	.....	.....	11	7	4	15	136	.6
Total.....	2,137	2,012	2,187	2,057	1,706	1,509	1,399	1,441	1,418	1,828	2,253	2,082	22,029	100.
Amount of Fines Collected.....	\$4.85	\$4.83	\$4.19	\$4.08	\$3.84	\$3.87	\$3.75	\$4.20	\$3.99	\$2.89	\$3.57	\$4.05	\$48.11	....
No. of Tickets Issued.....	41	28	21	19	14	8	19	13	29	31	26	35	284	....
Total No. of Tickets Issued.....	5,226	5,254	5,275	5,294	5,308	5,316	5,335	5,348	5,377	5,408	5,434	5,469	5,469	....

Classified Circulation of Books Issued from the Dundas Street Branch Library

FROM JANUARY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1907.

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	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total	Per Ct.
Natural Sciences and Mathematics.....	18	23	33	32	25	20	16	14	22	26	34	28	291	.9
Political, Social and Medical Sciences....	33	39	27	22	30	15	21	16	20	17	23	20	283	.9
Theology.....	31	29	16	18	14	13	6	5	9	13	16	16	186	.6
Arts.....	109	92	100	98	93	84	57	76	72	94	92	103	1,070	3.3
General Literature and Collected Works....	40	56	34	45	48	36	18	30	32	35	32	37	443	1.4
Geography, Travel and Topography.....	48	36	33	20	35	29	16	20	22	28	30	22	339	1.1
History.....	41	53	37	44	39	40	27	24	38	57	53	64	537	1.7
Biography.....	32	32	39	42	26	27	34	24	22	27	22	33	360	1.1
Poetry and the Drama	15	8	9	14	4	3	6	3	4	14	9	11	100	.3
Periodicals.....	195	172	204	187	182	152	116	158	174	161	209	217	2,127	6.6
Fiction.....	1,215	1,228	1,437	1,152	1,151	1,040	991	1,035	940	1,139	1,240	1,155	13,723	42.8
Juvenile.....	764	739	845	851	685	561	514	534	558	620	701	667	8,039	25.
German.....	12	12	12	4	9	6	6	13	5	6	5	8	98	.3
French.....	12	24	21	10	14	28	10	12	15	16	10	10	182	.6
Italian.....														
Spanish.....														
Books for the Blind.....														
Current Magazines.....														
Total No. of Books Issued for Home Reading.....	2,565	2,543	2,851	2,539	2,355	2,054	1,838	1,984	1,935	2,253	2,477	2,393	27,787	86.8
Magazines Issued in Reading Room.....	366	398	355	364	255	277	214	248	255	321	448	420	3,921	12.2
Reference Books.....	40	30	19	8	35	32	15	42	27	48	49	58	403	1.2
Total.....	2,971	2,971	3,225	2,911	2,645	2,363	2,067	2,274	2,217	2,622	2,974	2,871	32,111	100.
Amount of Fines Collected.....	\$5.13	\$5.16	\$5.88	\$6.84	\$7.37	\$6.99	\$7.20	\$4.95	\$5.25	\$5.25	\$5.52	\$7.58	\$73.12	....
No. of Tickets Issued.....	45	40	37	22	24	17	18	28	22	50	46	45	394	..
Total No. of Tickets Issued.....	7,445	7,485	7,522	7,544	7,568	7,585	7,603	7,631	7,653	7,703	7,749	7,794	7,794	....

Classified Circulation of Books Issued from the College Street Branch Library

FROM JANUARY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1907.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total	Per Ct.
Natural Sciences and Mathematics.....	48	41	53	55	41	38	26	33	34	39	56	46	510	1.1
Political, Social and Medical Sciences....	30	31	41	30	28	29	34	28	18	20	20	37	346	.7
Theology.....	22	25	36	37	27	13	19	23	28	19	37	43	329	.7
Arts.....	82	85	101	78	63	49	45	45	50	53	79	96	826	1.8
General Literature and Collected Works....	88	105	121	80	65	61	50	58	49	78	78	82	915	2.
Geography, Travel and Topography.....	46	56	52	51	37	37	40	41	35	30	44	59	528	1.1
History.....	85	75	92	87	54	64	67	55	49	72	103	86	889	1.9
Biography.....	39	43	45	33	42	39	51	50	48	38	44	47	519	1.1
Poetry and the Drama	14	26	29	17	15	25	16	21	26	23	24	23	259	.6
Periodicals.....	314	364	396	334	329	263	220	283	258	307	353	301	3,722	7.9
Fiction.....	1,948	1,896	2,112	2,134	1,939	1,720	1,626	1,726	1,767	2,085	2,193	1,942	23,088	49.1
Juvenile.....	873	832	901	916	792	688	695	671	596	743	900	805	9,412	20.
German.....	6	6	3	.....	10	1	2	.....	.....	.....	1	2	31	.....
French.....	8	5	5	6	6	3	5	5	10	5	8	6	72	.1
Italian.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spanish.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Books for the Blind.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Current Magazines.....	68	81	81	95	90	89	66	78	61	72	82	52	915	1.9
Total No. of Books														
Issued for Home Reading.....	3,671	3,671	4,008	3,953	3,538	3,119	2,962	3,117	3,029	3,584	4,022	3,627	42,361	90.0
Magazines Issued in Reading Room.....	433	451	503	453	331	335	248	292	274	314	409	378	4,421	9.4
Reference Books.....	25	46	35	16	9	22	13	15	15	17	25	38	276	.6
Total.....	4,129	4,168	4,606	4,422	3,878	3,476	3,223	3,424	3,318	3,915	4,456	4,043	47,058	100.
Amount of Fines Collected.....	\$12.43	\$8.82	\$7.56	\$12.63	\$12.03	\$9.23	\$9.77	\$7.53	\$11.10	\$11.37	\$10.08	\$10.08	\$122.63	.....
No. of Tickets Issued.....	82	62	56	43	38	39	59	37	50	98	78	66	708	.....
Total No. of Tickets Issued.....	5,297	5,359	5,415	5,458	5,496	5,535	5,594	5,631	5,681	5,779	5,857	5,923	5,923	.....

Total Classified Circulation of Books from the Central and Branch Libraries

FROM JANUARY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1907.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total	Per Ct.
Natural Sciences and Mathematics.....	538	465	549	496	466	362	327	383	365	460	542	481	5,434	1.1
Political, Social and Medical Sciences....	675	613	634	550	560	399	431	458	421	545	622	586	6,494	1.3
Theology.....	427	403	433	447	376	309	291	321	316	342	422	395	4,482	.9
Arts.....	1,417	1,465	1,542	1,470	1,301	1,121	962	939	1,052	1,437	1,408	1,435	15,549	3.2
General Literature and Collected Works....	1,029	1,049	1,198	1,063	905	749	694	720	816	1,242	1,237	1,106	11,808	2.4
Geography, Travel and Topography.....	800	836	883	808	638	558	519	614	621	752	759	764	8,552	1.8
History.....	971	1,048	1,124	1,057	890	719	663	724	700	976	1,073	945	10,890	2.3
Biography.....	889	868	926	856	695	652	566	687	643	770	872	839	9,263	1.9
Poetry and the Drama.	369	341	381	320	290	258	187	229	243	300	384	370	3,672	.8
Periodicals.....	2,553	2,548	2,702	2,456	2,228	1,667	1,712	1,909	1,838	2,221	2,411	2,465	26,710	5.5
Fiction.....	16,030	14,799	16,493	16,670	15,117	14,118	13,782	13,661	13,820	16,492	17,433	15,963	184,378	38.
Juvenile.....	5,560	5,411	5,723	5,634	4,704	3,704	3,935	4,115	3,920	4,885	5,432	5,132	58,105	11.9
German.....	87	89	92	76	82	63	41	66	50	66	73	115	900	.2
French.....	125	139	135	122	123	130	100	91	94	93	108	125	1,385	.3
Italian.....	15	10	6	6	9	3	1	4	4	8	3	2	71	....
Spanish.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	2	6	....
Books for the Blind.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	....
Current Magazines....	1,049	913	1,093	994	992	854	737	777	824	977	913	909	11,032	2.3
Total No. of Books Issued for Home Reading.....	32,534	30,997	33,915	33,026	29,376	25,666	24,948	25,702	25,727	31,519	33,692	31,634	358,736	73.9
Magazines Issued in Reading Room.....	8,743	7,661	7,448	7,241	6,396	4,669	5,017	4,998	5,241	7,583	8,419	7,838	81,254	16.7
Reference Books.....	5,241	4,871	4,797	4,003	3,220	2,537	2,082	2,603	2,731	3,867	5,211	4,352	45,515	9.4
Total.....	46,518	43,529	46,160	44,270	38,992	32,872	32,047	33,303	33,699	42,969	47,322	43,824	485,505	100.
Amount of Fines Collected.....	\$123.13	\$112.14	\$118.15	\$132.84	\$141.67	\$81.36	\$112.02	\$104.85	\$102.92	\$112.03	\$124.99	\$134.07	\$1400.17	....
Number of Ordinary Tickets Issued.....	525	472	409	357	289	605	428	391	470	702	658	495	5,801	....
No. of Non-Fiction Tickets Issued.....	87	84	71	75	55	32	43	55	48	89	83	66	788	....
Total No. of Ordinary Tickets Issued.....	74,400	74,872	75,281	75,638	75,927	67,890	68,318	68,709	69,179	69,881	70,539	71,034	71,034	....
Total No. of Non-Fiction Tickets Issued..	1,504	1,588	1,659	1,734	1,789	1,821	1,864	1,919	1,967	2,056	2,139	2,205	2,205	....

**Additions and Deductions
in Reference and
Circulating Libraries
During 1907.**

Number of Books and Pamphlets in Libraries, December 31st, 1906.....		144,809
<i>Deduct:</i> —Books lost and paid for.....	59	
“ withdrawn.....	289	
“ missing.....	110	
“ destroyed by Medical Health Officer.....	40	
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		144,311
 Added during the year:		
Purchased.....	3,797	
Books donated.....	210	
Periodicals bound.....	652	
English Patents.....	331	
Pamphlets.....	500	
	<hr/>	5,490
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		149,801
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**Total Number of Volumes
in Reference and
Circulating Libraries,
December 31st, 1907.**

	<i>Central.</i>	<i>Western.</i>	<i>Yorkville.</i>	<i>Eastern.</i>	<i>Dundas.</i>	<i>College.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Natural Sciences and							
Mathematics.....	1,777	90	128	29	32	72	2,128
Political, Social, etc.....	2,606	47	94	10	28	50	2,835
Theology.....	2,483	71	87	16	33	37	2,727
Arts.....	3,399	87	114	20	69	63	3,752
General Literature and							
Collected Works.....	4,855	354	352	29	62	199	5,851
Geography and Travel....	3,586	225	268	38	65	72	4,254
History.....	4,474	338	494	83	111	201	5,701
Biography.....	4,785	357	450	83	100	129	5,904
Poetry and the Drama....	1,406	98	137	41	23	32	1,737
Periodicals.....	3,472	1,016	1,168	279	256	231	6,422
Fiction.....	17,216	2,330	2,764	633	840	867	24,650
Juvenile.....	5,972	830	1,058	380	566	351	9,157
German Literature.....	794						794
French Literature.....	822						822
Italian Literature.....	99						99
Spanish Literature.....	9						9
Books for the Blind.....	73						73
Total.....	57,828	5,843	7,114	1,641	2,185	2,304	76,915

Circulating Libraries as above.....	76,915
Reference Library, Central.....	46,585
" " Western Branch.....	54
" " Yorkville Branch.....	227
" " Eastern Branch.....	26
" " Dundas Street Branch.....	62
" " College Street Branch.....	28
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	46,982
Hallam Collection.....	2,034
Pamphlets.....	15,361
Manuscripts.....	334
English Patents.....	8,175
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	149,801

**Value of the
Library,
December 31st, 1907.**

Valuation of the Library, December 31st, 1906.....		\$207,936.29
Books purchased during 1907.....	\$6,200.66	
Binding.....	2,027.31	
Periodicals bound.....	652.00	
Pamphlets.....	75.00	
Donations.....	315.00	
Newspapers bound.....	100.00	
Duplicate unbound magazines.....	391.40	
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	\$9,761.37	
Deduct—Books withdrawn.....	\$269.10	
“ lost and paid for.....	44.60	
“ missing.....	92.95	
“ sold.....	2.00	
“ Destroyed by Medical		
Health Department..	30.30	
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	\$438.95	
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		\$9,322.42
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		\$217,258.71
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Central Libraries.....	\$203,530.98
Western Branch.....	3,601.04
Yorkville Avenue Branch.....	5,002.58
Eastern Branch.....	1,399.44
Dundas Street Branch.....	1,874.82
College Street Branch.....	1,849.85
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	\$217,258.71
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Borrowers'
Register,
December 31st, 1907.

Central.

Tickets in use, December 31st, 1906.....	37,787
Tickets issued in 1907.....	2,894
Tickets issued in 1907, non-Fiction.....	788
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	41,469
Deduct—Transferred to Western Branch.....	15
“ “ Yorkville Avenue Branch.....	78
“ “ Eastern Branch.....	21
“ “ Dundas Street Branch.....	21
“ “ College Street Branch.....	59
Lost and cancelled.....	625
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	819
Total.....	<hr/>
	40,650

Western Branch.

Tickets in use, December 31st, 1906.....	3,842
Tickets issued in 1907.....	228
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	4,070
Deduct—Transferred to Central.....	22
“ “ Yorkville Avenue Branch.....	1
“ “ Eastern Branch.....	4
“ “ Dundas Street Branch.....	11
“ “ College Street Branch.....	8
Lost and cancelled.....	50
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	96
Total.....	<hr/>
	3,974

Yorkville Avenue Branch.

Tickets in use, December 31st, 1906, cancelled June 1st, 1907	
Tickets issued in 1907.....	1,256
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Deduct—Transferred to Central.....	13
“ “ Western Branch.....	2
“ “ Eastern Branch.....	1
“ “ Dundas Street Branch.....	1
“ “ College Street Branch.....	8
Lost and cancelled.....	7
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	32
Total.....	<hr/> <u>1,224</u>

Eastern Branch.

Tickets in use, December 31st, 1906.....	3,804
Tickets issued in 1907.....	284
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Deduct—Transferred to Central.....	22
“ “ Western Branch.....	2
“ “ Yorkville Avenue Branch.....	0
“ “ Dundas Street Branch.....	2
“ “ College Branch.....	7
Lost and cancelled.....	51
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	84
Total.....	<hr/> <u>4,004</u>

Dundas Street Branch,

Tickets in use, December 31st, 1906	6,533
Tickets issued in 1907.....	394
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Deduct—Transferred to Central.....	16
“ “ Western Branch.....	1
“ “ Yorkville Avenue Branch.....	1
“ “ Eastern Branch.....	4
“ “ College Street Branch.....	5
Lost and cancelled.....	69
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	96
Total.....	<hr/> <u>6,831</u>

College Street Branch.

Tickets in use, December 31st, 1906.....	3,859
Tickets issued in 1907.....	708
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	4,567
Deduct—Transferred to Central.....	44
“ “ Western Branch.....	4
“ “ Yorkville Avenue Branch.....	23
“ “ Eastern Branch.....	5
“ “ Dundas Street Branch.....	15
Lost and cancelled.....	250
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	341
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Total.....	<u>4,226</u>

Total Number of Tickets.

Central.....	40,650
Western Branch.....	3,974
Yorkville Avenue Branch.....	1,224
Eastern Branch.....	4,004
Dundas Street Branch.....	6,831
College Street Branch.....	4,226
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	<u>60,909</u>

Number of Post Cards sent for Overdue Books.

Central.....	4,073
Western Branch.....	428
Yorkville Avenue Branch.....	75
Eastern Branch.....	375
Dundas Street Branch.....	776
College Street Branch.....	1,125
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	<u>6,852</u>

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1907.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
Jan. 1st, To balance in bank.....	\$5.08	By Interest and Sinking Fund.....	\$2,867.00
" " Yorkville Avenue Branch, Furniture and fittings, special deposit.....	1,095.00	" Books.....	6,200.66
" Library rate.....	45,957.00	" English Patents.....	102.45
" Legislative Grant.....	250.00	" Newspapers and Magazines.....	2,749.34
" Rent.....	339.96	" Binding.....	2,027.31
" Borrowers' Tickets.....	290.75	" Printing.....	313.29
" Catalogues.....	132.20	" Catalogue cards.....	100.30
" Fines.....	1,400.17	" Stationery.....	141.22
" Damage to Books.....	6.20	" Postage.....	186.50
" Books lost and paid for.....	58.82	" Electric Light.....	1,316.24
" Books sold.....	12.20	" Gas Light.....	431.65
" Newspapers and magazines sold.....	63.05	" Fuel.....	1,274.46
" Waste paper sold.....	8.49	" Water.....	44.50
" Copying documents.....	58.14	" Rent of Branches.....	1,960.55
" Insurance Rebate.....	78.25	" Wagon Service.....	396.00
" Refund.....	\$.20	" Telephone.....	64.00
Bank Interest.....	25.87	" Repairs.....	648.81
		" Salaries.....	18,536.33
		" Insurance.....	1,653.19
		" Petty expenses.....	496.87
		" Furniture and fittings, Yorkville Ave. Branch	1,453.16
		" " New Western Branch, Queen and	
		" " Lisgar Streets, to cover tenders..	2,500.00
		" " Accounts due under contracts.....	1,000.00
		" " New Circulating Library, College	
		" " St., to cover tenders.....	1,700.00
		" Books on order.....	1,500.00
		" Law expenses.....	74.50
		" Bank balance.....	43.05
			<u>\$49,781.38</u>

Audited and approved,

January 31st, 1908.

WM. ANDERSON, City Auditor.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1907.

ASSETS.

Library Building, corner Church and Adelaide Streets:	
Land 91x156 at \$150 per foot.....	\$13,650.00
Buildings.....	50,000.00
	<u>\$63,650.00</u>
Lombard Street Lots:	
Land 68x91 at \$80 per foot.....	\$5,440.00
Buildings.....	200.00
	<u>5,640.00</u>
Yorkville Avenue Branch:	
Land 84 5 in. x 165 at \$35 per foot.....	\$2,955.00
Building.....	30,000.00
	<u>32,955.00</u>
Public Reference Library, corner St. George and College Streets:	
Land.....	\$39,191.00
Building in course of erection.....	100,000.00
	<u>139,191.00</u>
Furniture and fittings:	
Central Libraries.....	\$5,579.73
Western Branch.....	200.00
Yorkville Avenue Branch.....	1,300.00
Eastern Branch.....	300.00
Dundas Street Branch.....	700.00
College Street Branch.....	300.00
	<u>8,379.73</u>
Books, Pamphlets, etc.:	
Central Libraries.....	203,530.98
Western Branch.....	3,601.04
Yorkville Avenue Branch.....	5,002.58
Eastern Branch.....	1,399.44
Dundas Street Branch.....	1,874.82
College Street Branch.....	1,849.85
	<u>217,258.71</u>
Catalogues on hand.....	\$212.00
Portraits, engravings and medals, etc.....	1,200.00
English patents.....	5,665.00
Bank balance.....	43.05
	<u>7,120.05</u>
	<u>\$474,194.49</u>

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding debenture on Library Building, corner Church and Adelaide Streets.....	
	\$60,496.80
Less Sinking Fund.....	12,776.73
	<u>\$47,720.07</u>
Balance.....	426,474.42
	<u>\$474,194.49</u>

NEW LIBRARY BUILDINGS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

To balance in Bank, December 31st, 1906.....	\$11,910.60
“ Andrew Carnegie, Esq., on account of grant.....	115,000.00
“ Canadian Bank of Commerce interest allowed.....	651.86

EXPENDITURE.

<i>Yorkville Avenue Branch Library</i>	
By Robert Ramsey, Clerk of Works....	\$241.50
“ Caledonian Insurance Co., premiums....	40.80
“ Fred Holmes, cut stone work.....	1,878.20
“ Dancy Bros., plastering.....	1,272.00
“ John McLeod, brickwork.....	1,578.55
“ George M. Bryan, galvanized iron roofing.....	780.00
“ Thomas Lewis, carpenter.....	2,080.90
“ Robert Dale, painting and glazing....	445.00
“ Fiddes & Hogarth, plumbing.....	183.95
“ McGregor & McIntyre iron and steel..	305.00
“ Fred Armstrong, steam heating.....	1,439.00
“ Vokes Hardware, tiling.....	90.00
“ Bennett & Wright, electric wiring....	297.00
“ Rice Lewis & Son, hardware.....	247.50
“ Keith & Fitzsimmons, electric fixtures	218.05
	<u>\$11,097.45</u>

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Public Reference Library

By Brown & Love, masonry and brick....	\$50,000.00
“ A. Gardner & Co., reinforced concrete	17,600.00
“ Atlantic Terra Cotta Co.....	12,000.00
“ Chas. Rogers & Sons Co., carpenter..	2,482.92
“ A. B. Ormsby, roofing.....	2,000.00
“ McGregor & McIntyre, steel.....	5,000.00
“ W. J. McGuire & Co., steamheating..	3,000.00
“ J. E. Gray, plumbing.....	1,250.00
“ Wm. Simpson, salary clerk of works..	1,300.00
“ Page & Britnell, excavating.....	236.00
“ Canadian Inspection Co., reinforced concrete.....	248.75
“ Wickson, Gregg & A. H. Chapman, architects.....	3,240.00
Balance	<u>\$98,357.67</u>
	<u>\$18,107.34</u>
	<u>\$127,562.46</u>

\$127,562.46

January 31st, 1908

Audited and approved,

WM. ANDERSON, *City Auditor.*

YORKVILLE AVENUE BRANCH LIBRARY

TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON BUILDING.

By Robert Ramsey, salary, Clerk of Works.....	\$717.50
" Caledonian Insurance Co., premiums.....	81.60
" Fred Holmes, cut stone work.....	8,991.00
" Dancy Bros, plastering.....	1,600.00
" John McLeod, brickwork.....	7,338.55
" George M. Bryan, galvanized iron roofing.....	780.00
" Thomas Lewis, carpenter.....	3,298.50
" Robert Dale, painting and glazing.....	445.00
" Fiddes & Hogarth, plumbing.....	343.95
" McGregor & McIntyre, steel and iron.....	1,441.00
" Fred Armstrong, steam heating.....	1,439.00
" Vokes Hardware, tiling.....	90.00
" Bennett & Wright, electric wiring.....	297.00
" Rice Lewis & Son, hardware.....	247.50
" Keith & Fitzsimons, electric fixtures.....	218.05

\$27,328.65

Furniture and fittings:

Book cases, tables, etc.....	\$1,000.00
Chairs.....	254.03
Window blinds.....	18.70
Linoleum.....	68.18
Picture frames.....	40.55

\$1,381.46

Accounts payable for fittings.....	1,000.00
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\$2,381.46

SUMMARY:

Expenditure on building.....	\$27,328.65
Expenditure on furniture and fittings.....	2,381.46

\$29,710.11

List of Donations, 1907

	Bound	Unbound		Bound	Unbound
Adams, Charles F., Esq.	—	1	Ganong, W. F., Esq., M.A.	—	2
Alexander, Lucien H., Esq.	—	1	Garneau, Hector, Esq.	—	1
Anderson, Robert M., Esq.	1	—	Geddes, Prof. J.	—	1
Anonymous	1	3	Grant, J. M., Esq.	1	—
Bain, James, Esq., D.C.L.	—	2	Grimaldi, A. B., Esq., M.A.	—	1
Baker, Ray P., Esq.	—	1	Hardy, E. A., Esq., B.A.	—	1
Balch, E. S., Esq.	2	1	Harpell, J. J., Esq., B.A.	—	2
Baldwin, Rev. Canon	—	1	Henriksen, G., Esq.	—	1
Bank of Nova Scotia	—	3	Hunter, J. Howard, Esq.	2	—
Banton, T. W., Esq.	—	3	Imperial Bank of Canada	—	1
Bennett, George J., Esq.	1	—	Kelso, J. J., Esq.	—	1
Biggar, H. P., Esq.	—	1	King's Printer, Edmonton	1	1
Blue, Arch., Esq.	—	1	King's Printer, Ottawa	15	—
Brown Bros., Messrs.	—	1	King's Printer, Regina	—	5
Bulstrode, Miss B.	—	1	King's Printer, Toronto	2	—
Burpee, Lawrence, Esq.	—	1	King's Printer, Wellington, N.Z.	—	5
Canada Company	1	—	King's Printer, Winnipeg	2	—
Canadian Mining Journal	—	1	Le Sueur, W. D., Esq.	—	1
Chilton, R. S., Esq.	—	11	Libraries:—		
Clark, Sir Wm. Mortimer	—	2	Aberdeen	—	1
Clews, H., Esq.	—	—	Ashton-Under-Lyne	—	1
Cockburn, G. R. R., Esq.	164	—	Battersea	—	1
Colleges and Universities:—			Birmingham	—	1
Bowdoin College	—	1	Blackburn	—	1
Chicago University	8	2	Boston Athenæum	—	1
Cornell University	—	2	Brooklyn	—	19
Hartford Theological Seminary	—	3	Buffalo	—	1
Harvard University	—	3	Cambridge	—	1
Illinois University	1	—	Carnegie, Allegheny	—	2
Kaiserlich-Japanischen Universitat	—	2	Carnegie, Atlanta	—	4
Knox College	—	1	Carnegie, Braddock	—	3
Laval University	—	1	Carnegie, Nashville	—	1
McGill University	—	1	Carnegie, Ottawa	—	1
Manitoba College	—	1	Chicago	6	5
New York University	—	1	Cincinnati	—	1
Northwestern University	—	1	Citizen's, Halifax	—	1
Ontario School Practical Science	—	1	Cleveland	—	1
Still College of Osteopathy	—	2	Congressional	6	5
Toronto University	3	21	Dayton	—	1
Trinity University	1	—	Detroit	1	2
Wisconsin University	1	4	District of Columbia	—	15
Yale University	—	4	Edinburgh	—	1
Connor, R. D. W., Esq.	—	3	Enoch Pratt, Baltimore	—	1
Cooper, John A., Esq.	—	1	Erie	—	1
Crofton, F. Blake, Esq.	—	1	Finsbury	—	1
Croil, James, Esq.	1	—	Flower Memorial	—	1
D'Arrioules, Mons.	—	1	Friend's, Germantown	—	1
Davenport, Daniel, Esq.	—	1	Grand Rapids	—	13
Davis, G., Esq.	1	—	Great Yarmouth	—	1
Doughty, A. G., Esq., C.M.G., M.A., LL.D.	—	6	Hamilton	—	1
Duckworth, Rev. H. T. F.	1	—	Haverhill	—	6
Eaton, Rev. A. H. W.	—	1	Helena	—	2
Ellis, C. M., Esq.	—	3	Imperial, Calcutta	—	1
Estate Wm. Hamilton	—	32	Imperial, Tokio	—	1
Executors James Coolidge Carter	1	—	Indiana Public Library Commission	—	4
Falconbridge, Hon. Chief Justice	335	—	J. Herman Bosler Memorial Library	—	4
Falconieri, Dr. F. De S.	—	1	Jacksonville	—	1
Fenner, Samuel C., Esq.	1	—	John Crerar, Chicago	—	1
Fenton, W. J., Esq.	—	1	John Rylands, Manchester	—	4
Foy, Hon. J. J., K.C.	117	—	Kilburn	—	1
			Legislative, Toronto	—	1

	Bound	Unbound		Bound	Unbound
Legislative, Winnipeg	—	1	Department Education, New York.	3	1
Library of Parliament, Ottawa	—	1	Department Education, Toronto ..	4	—
Liverpool	—	1	Department Interior, Washington ..	2	—
Michigan State Library Commission ..	—	2	Department of Mines, British Columbia	—	1
Milwaukee	—	5	Department Railways and Canals, Ottawa	—	1
Minneapolis	1	4	Department State, Washington ..	—	5
New Haven	—	5	Geographic Board of Canada	—	1
New York Mercantile	—	3	Geological Survey of Canada	2	13
New York Public	—	10	Indian Rights Association	—	1
New York State	8	8	Lowell Observatory	—	6
Niagara Falls	—	1	Manitoba Historical and Scientific Society	—	2
Nottingham	—	14	Michigan Pioneer and Historical Society	1	—
Omaha	—	6	Michigan State Board of Health ..	2	3
Osaka	—	1	Museu Nacional do Rio de Janeiro ..	—	6
Port Elizabeth	—	1	National Association of Manufacturers, U.S.	1	—
Providence	—	1	Natural History Society, New Brunswick	—	4
Reynolds	—	1	New York State Hospital Crippled and Deformed Children	—	1
St. Louis, Mercantile	—	1	Nova Scotian Institute of Science ..	—	1
St. Louis Public	—	11	Ontario Association of Architects ..	—	1
Salem	—	1	Pennsylvania Prison Society	—	1
Seranton	—	4	Provincial Board of Health, Ontario	—	1
Seattle	15	—	Quebec Literary and Historical Society ..	—	3
Silas Bronson	—	1	Royal Astronomical Society of Canada	—	4
Stirlings & Glasgow	—	2	Royal Military College Club of Canada	—	1
Taunton	—	1	Royal Society of Canada	1	—
Toledo	—	1	St. Paul's Playgrounds Committee ..	—	3
Wilmington Institute	—	6	Semi-Centennial Commission, Detroit	1	—
Windsor	—	1	Silk Association of America	—	1
Wisconsin Free Library Commission ..	—	4	Smithsonian Institution	8	22
Woburn	—	1	Valentine Museum	—	1
Worcester	—	2	Wisconsin State Historical Society ..	1	1
Lindsay, L'Abbe L.	—	1	York Pioneer and Historical Society ..	—	1
Little, George T., Esq.	—	1	Pulsford, Edward, Esq.	1	—
Littlejohn, W. A., Esq.	6	—	Roaf, James R., Esq.	—	1
Loubat, M. Le Duc de	—	1	Robertson, John Ross, Esq.	11	33
MacDonald, C. O., Esq.	1	—	Rust, C. H., Esq.	1	—
MacMurchy, Angus, Esq.	4	—	Sandham, A., Esq.	—	64
Macoun, W. T., Esq.	4	1	Sargent, E. B., Esq.	—	1
Maynard, Mrs.	—	19	Saunders, Wm., Esq., C.M.G., LL.D.	—	2
Mermin, M. J. M.	—	1	Sharpe, Wm., Esq., M.D.	—	1
Mitchell, W. A., Esq.	1	—	Smith, Wm. Henry, Esq., LL.D.	2	—
Moore, Mrs. E.	4	—	Smith, Goldwin, Esq., LL.D.	—	1
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